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Fast Ethernet Switch

Hardware Installation Guide

A2H123-24



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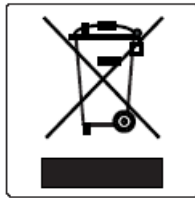
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About This Guide

This guide provides an overview, installation and troubleshooting instructions, and specifications for the Enterasys[®] SecureStack A2H123-24 stackable Ethernet switch.

For information about the Command Line Interface (CLI) set of commands used to configure and manage the switch, refer to the Enterasys Networks[®] *SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide*.

Important Notice

Depending on the firmware version used in the A2H123-24 switch, some features described in this document may not be supported. Refer to the Release Notes shipped with the SecureStack A2 to determine which features are supported.

Who Should Use This Guide

This guide is intended for a network administrator responsible for installing and setting up the stackable switch.



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How to Use This Guide

Read through this guide completely to familiarize yourself with its contents and gain an understanding of the features and capabilities of the stackable Ethernet switches. A general knowledge of data communications networks is helpful when setting up the switches.

This preface provides an overview of this guide and the SecureStack A2 manual set, a brief summary of each chapter, defines the conventions used throughout this guide, and tells you how to obtain Technical Support. To locate information concerning various subjects in this guide, refer to the following table:

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An overview of the SecureStack A2 features	Chapter 1, Introduction
Network requirements that must be met before installing the SecureStack A2	Chapter 2, Network Requirements
Instructions to install the SecureStack A2 on a flat surface or in a standard 19-inch rack and configure the SecureStack A2 in a stacked configuration	Chapter 3, Hardware Installation
Troubleshooting installation problems and diagnosing network/operational problems using the LANVIEW LEDs	Chapter 4, Troubleshooting
Specifications, environmental requirements, and physical properties of the SecureStack A2	Appendix A, Specifications

Related Documents

The following documents can help you to set up and manage the switch:

- *SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide* describes how to use the Command Line Interface (CLI) to set up and manage the A2 switches.
- *Cabling Guide* provides information concerning network cabling, dB loss, and other cabling specifications and usage.

The manuals listed below can be obtained from the World Wide Web in Adobe Acrobat Portable Document Format (PDF) at the following site:

<http://www.enterasys.com/support/manuals>

Unlike the *SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide*, the *Cabling Guide* is not listed alphabetically on the web site. Instead, it is under the *Overview Guides* link.

Conventions Used in This Guide

The following conventions are used in this guide:



Note: Calls the reader's attention to any item of information that may be of special importance.



Caution: Contains information essential to avoid damage to the equipment.

Precaución: Contiene información esencial para prevenir dañar el equipo.

Achtung: Verweist auf wichtige Informationen zum Schutz gegen Beschädigungen.



Electrical Hazard: Warns against an action that could result in personal injury or death due to an electrical hazard.

Riesgo Electrico: Advierte contra una acción que pudiera resultar en lesión corporal o la muerte debido a un riesgo eléctrico.

Elektrischer Gefahrenhinweis: Warnung vor sämtlichen Handlungen, die zu Verletzung von Personen oder Todesfällen – hervorgerufen durch elektrische Spannung – führen können!



Warning: Warns against an action that could result in personal injury or death.

Advertencia: Advierte contra una acción que pudiera resultar en lesión corporal o la muerte.

Warhinweis: Warnung vor Handlungen, die zu Verletzung von Personen oder gar Todesfällen führen können!

Getting Help

For additional support related to the SecureStack A2 or this document, contact Enterasys Networks using one of the following methods:

World Wide Web	www.enterasys.com/services/support/
Phone	1-800-872-8440 (toll-free in U.S. and Canada) or 1-978-684-1000 For the Enterasys Networks Support toll-free number in your country: www.enterasys.com/services/support/contact/
Internet mail	support@enterasys.com To expedite your message, type [Switching] in the subject line.

To send comments concerning this document to the Technical Publications Department:
techpubs@enterasys.com

Please include the document Part Number in your email message.

Before contacting Enterasys Networks for technical support, have the following information ready:

- Your Enterasys Networks service contract number.
- A description of the failure.
- A description of any action(s) already taken to resolve the problem (for example, changing mode, rebooting the unit.)
- The serial and revision numbers of all involved Enterasys Networks products in the network.
- A description of your network environment (layout, cable type.)
- Network load and frame size at the time of trouble, if known.
- The device history (that is, have you returned the device before, is this a recurring problem?)
- Any previous Return Material Authorization (RMA) numbers.

Introduction

This chapter introduces the A2H123-24 stackable switch.

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Overview

The A2H123-24 is a stackable Fast Ethernet switch, which can be adapted and scaled to help meet your network needs. This switch provides a management platform and uplink to a network backbone for a stacked group of up to eight A2 switches. The two fixed LC connectors provide fiber-optic connections to a 100BASE-FX network.

The switch also supports the use of a redundant DC power supply to help prevent downtime due to an internal power supply failure in the switch or AC power source.

You can install the SecureStack A2 on a flat surface or into a standard 19-inch rack with user-supplied mounting hardware, and configure the SecureStack A2 functions using the WebView™ application, CLI switching commands, and/or SNMP.

A2H123-24 Switch

The A2H123-24 ([Figure 1-1](#)) has several types of front panel port connections, which include:

- 24 RJ45 ports (10/100 Mbps, 100BASE-T copper ports).
- Two fixed LC connectors, labeled port 27 and 28, that provide 100BASE-FX fiber-optic connections.

- 1000BASE-T RJ45 connectors which can be used in a stack configuration or as standard switch ports when the A2H123-24 is configured as a standalone switch.

On the rear panel, there is a Redundant Power Supply connector for a connection to a SecureStack C2RPS-SYS power supply system using the appropriate cable (C2RPS-PSM cable).



Caution: The A2H123-24 is not a PoE-compliant device. Do not connect a SecureStack PoE Redundant Power System (C2RPS-POE) to the power connector. Otherwise, damage to the device may result.

Precaución: El dispositivo A2H123-24 **no cumple** con el estándar PoE (power over ethernet). **No conecte** una fuente de poder redundante (RPS) SecureStack PoE (C2RPS-POE) al cable de corriente. De lo contrario, el dispositivo puede dañarse.

The 10/100 Mbps fixed front panel ports can operate in either half-duplex or full-duplex mode, as determined by Auto-Negotiation.



Note: The 1000BASE-T built-in RJ45 stacking ports 25 and 26 on the A2H123-24 can be configured as standard 10/100/1000BASE-T switch ports, using the command **set switch stackport**, when the unit is used in standalone mode.

Figure 1-1 A2H123-24 Stackable Switch

Front



Back



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| 1 DB9 RS232 Console port connector | 6 Stack and LC fiber-optic port status LEDs |
| 2 Recessed password reset button | 7 RJ45 ports for stack connections |
| 3 Stack Unit status LEDs | 8 LC connector, 100BASE-FX ports |
| 4 RJ45 port status LEDs | 9 C2RPS-SYS connection |
| 5 RJ45, 10/100 Mbps ports | 10 AC power input connector |

Stack Connections

The switches have front-panel RJ45 connectors for connections in a stack configuration. The stacking cables used for the connections are standard Category 5 or better UTP cable.

Redundant Power Supply Capability

The SecureStack A2 has power supply redundancy capability when connected to an optional external redundant power supply (RPS). If the internal power supply fails, the RPS assumes the entire load of the SecureStack A2 without interrupting network traffic. The internal power supply and RPS each have their own AC power connection, which enables the connection of each power supply to a different AC power circuit for additional AC power source redundancy.



Caution: The A2H123-24 is not PoE-compliant. Do not connect a SecureStack PoE Redundant Power System (C2RPS-POE) to the power connector. Otherwise, damage to the device may result.

Precaución: El dispositivo A2H123-24 **no cumple** con el estándar PoE (power over ethernet). **No conecte** una fuente de poder redundante (RPS) SecureStack PoE (C2RPS-POE) al cable de corriente. De lo contrario, el dispositivo puede dañarse.

Connectivity

The SecureStack A2 connects to Ethernet networks or workstations by means of the fixed front panel RJ45 connectors and two fixed fiber-optic LC connectors. For more connectivity information, refer to [Chapter 2, Network Requirements](#).

Management

Management of the module can be either in-band or out-of-band. In-band remote management is possible using Telnet, the Enterasys NetSight® management application, or the WebView application. Out-of-band management is provided through the DB9 Console port connector on the front panel using a VT100 terminal or a VT100 terminal emulator.

Switch Configuration Using WebView

Enterasys Networks' HTTP-based Web management application (WebView) is an intuitive web tool for simple management tasks.

Switch Configuration Using CLI Commands

The CLI commands enable you to perform more complete SecureStack A2 configuration management tasks.

For CLI command set information and how to configure the module, refer to the *SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide*.

Standards Compatibility

The 10/100BASE-T ports, 10/100/1000BASE-T (stack) ports, and 100BASE-FX ports are compliant with the following standards and operations:

- IEEE 802.3
- IEEE 802.3u
- IEEE 802.3ab (stack ports)
- IEEE 802.3ad
- Full-Duplex operation
- IEEE 802.3x Flow Control support for Full-Duplex mode

LANVIEW Diagnostic LEDs

LANVIEW diagnostic LEDs serve as an important troubleshooting aid by providing an easy way to observe the status of individual ports and overall network operations. Refer to [Chapter 4, Troubleshooting](#) for information about using the diagnostic LEDs.

Network Requirements

Before installing the device, review the requirements and specifications in this chapter. The network installation must meet the requirements described in this chapter to ensure satisfactory performance of this equipment. Failure to do so will produce poor network performance.

For information about...	Refer to page...
10BASE-T Network	2-1
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100BASE-FX Network	2-2
1000BASE-T Network	2-2



Note: The *SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide* and the *Cabling Guide* referred to in the following sections can be found on the Enterasys Networks World Wide Web site: <http://www.enterasys.com/support/manuals>

For details about obtaining the manuals, refer to “[Related Documents](#)” on page xvi.

10BASE-T Network

When connecting a 10BASE-TX segment to one of the RJ45 fixed ports (1 through 24 on the A2H123-24), ensure that the network meets the Ethernet network requirements of the IEEE 802.3-2005 standard for 10BASE-TX. Refer to the *Cabling Guide* for details.



Note: If an RJ45 port is to operate at 100 Mbps, Category 5 cabling must be used. Category 3 cabling does not meet the 100 Mbps specifications. Refer to [100BASE-TX Network](#) (page 2-2) for information about 100BASE-TX networks and cabling.

100BASE-TX Network

When connecting a 100BASE-TX segment to one of the fixed ports (1 through 24 on the A2H123-24) use Category 5 UTP cabling. The device at the other end of the twisted pair segment must meet IEEE 802.3-2005 100BASE-TX Fast Ethernet network requirements for the SecureStack A2 to operate at 100 Mbps.



Note: When using the RJ45 ports on the SecureStack A2 for 100 Mbps operation use Category 5 UTP cabling with an impedance between 85 and 111 ohms.

The fixed SecureStack A2 ports are capable of operating at 10 and 100 Mbps. This is accomplished by the SecureStack A2 when Auto-Negotiation is enabled. This enables the SecureStack A2 to automatically sense the transmission speed of the other device and adjust for the speed accordingly.

100BASE-FX Network

The fixed LC connector ports provide fiber-optic connections operating at 100 Mbps. The device at the other end of the fiber-optic connection must meet IEEE 802.3-2005 Fast Ethernet requirements for the devices to operate at Fast Ethernet speed.

1000BASE-T Network

The RJ45 fixed front panel stacking port connectors support RJ45 copper 1000BASE-T compliant connections. When connecting a 1000BASE-T segment to one of the RJ45 fixed ports use Category 5 UTP cabling. In standalone mode, the stack ports may be user configured to serve as a standard switch port allowing Gigabit uplink to the network. The device at the other end of the twisted pair segment must meet IEEE 802.3-2005 1000BASE-T Gigabit Ethernet network requirements for the devices to operate at 1000 Mbps.

Hardware Installation



Electrical Hazard: Only qualified personnel should perform installation procedures.

Riesgo Electrico: Solamente personal calificado debe realizar procedimientos de instalacion.

Elektrischer Gefahrenhinweis: Installationen sollten nur durch ausgebildetes und qualifiziertes Personal vorgenommen werden.

This chapter provides instructions on how to install the A2H123-24. Follow the order of the sections listed below to correctly install the switch.

For information about...	Refer to page...
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Considerations Prior to Installation

When installing the switch, note the following:

- Before starting the installation procedure, notify the network administrator of the installation.
- Follow the installation procedures in the order as presented in this guide.
- Do not connect the switch to the network until you have established the correct IP address.

Required Tools

A Phillips screwdriver is required to install the switch into a rack.

Unpacking the Switch

Unpack the switch as follows:

1. Open the box and remove the packing material protecting the switch.
2. Verify that the contents of the carton contains the items listed in [Table 3-1](#).

Table 3-1 Contents of Switch Carton

Item	Quantity
A2H123-24 switch	1
Mounting kit (two mounting brackets and eight M3x6-mm screws for rack mounting)	1
Rubber feet with adhesive backing for installation on a flat surface	4
AC power cord (The type of power cord is country dependent.)	1
This installation guide	1
Customer Release Notes	1

3. Remove the tape seal on the non-conductive bag to remove the switch.
4. Perform a visual inspection of the switch for any signs of physical damage. Contact Enterasys Networks if there are any signs of damage. Refer to [“Getting Help”](#) on page xviii for details.

Installing the Switch on a Flat Surface

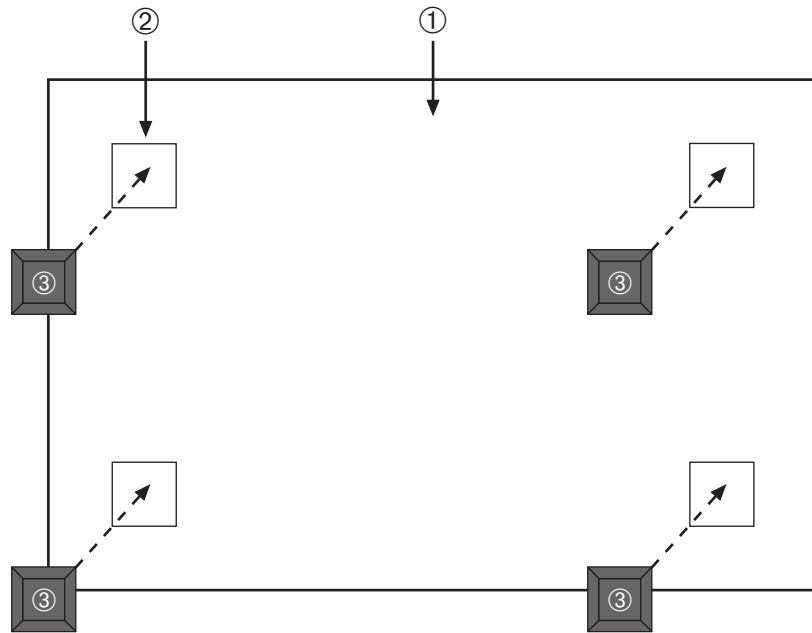
When installing the switch on a flat surface, the installation of the rubber feet is recommended to prevent the switch from sliding on a flat surface. Installing the rubber feet is optional if you are installing the switch in a rack. To install the rubber feet, proceed to [“Installing the Rubber Feet”](#) instructions below. For instructions to rack mount the switch, proceed to [“Rack Mounting the Switch”](#) on page 3-6.

Installing the Rubber Feet

To install the rubber feet, refer to [Figure 3-1](#) and proceed as follows:

1. Place the switch on its back on a sturdy flat surface to gain access to the bottom of the chassis.
2. Remove the four rubber feet from their plastic bag in the shipping box.
3. Locate the four marked locations on the bottom four corners of the chassis.
4. Remove the protective strip from the back of one rubber foot and position it on a marked location and press firmly into place. Repeat this procedure to install the remaining three rubber feet in the other three locations.
5. After installing the rubber feet, return the switch to its upright position.
6. Proceed to [“Guidelines for Flat Surface Installation”](#) on page 3-5. For a rack mount installation, proceed to [“Rack Mounting the Switch”](#) on page 3-6.

Figure 3-1 Chassis Bottom, Rubber Feet Placement



- 1 Bottom of chassis as seen when chassis is resting on its back
 - 2 Locations to install the rubber feet (four locations)
 - 3 Rubber feet with adhesive backing (four)
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Note: If a number of switches are being installed in a stack, repeat steps 1 through 4 to install the rubber feet on each switch before continuing with the installation.

Guidelines for Flat Surface Installation

Locate the switch within 152 cm (5 ft) of its power source and on a surface as shown in [Figure 3-2](#). If an optional redundant power system is going to be installed and connected to the 14-pin Redundant Power Supply input connector on the rear of the switch, refer to the installation guide shipped with the redundant power system.



Caution: To ensure proper ventilation and prevent overheating, leave a minimum clearance space of 5.1 cm (2.0 in.) at the left, right, and rear of the switch.

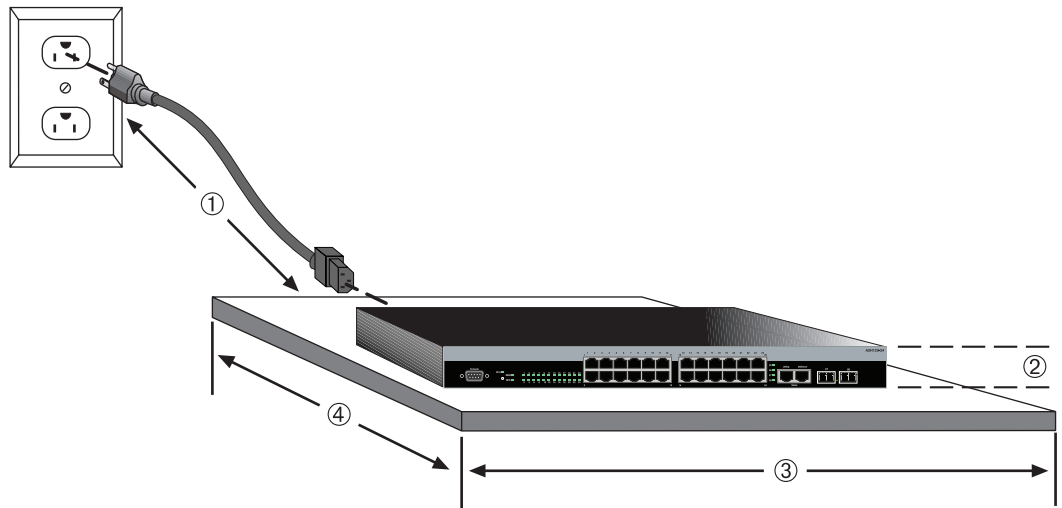
Do not connect the switch to the AC power source until instructed to do so later in the installation process.

Precaución: Para asegurar una buena ventilación y evitar que el sistema se sobrecaliente, deje un espacio mínimo de 5.1 cm (2 pulgadas) con respecto a los lados y a la parte posterior del aparato.

No conecte el dispositivo a la fuente primaria hasta que no se le indique.

If you are installing several switches in a stack, proceed to “[Connecting Stacking Cables](#)” on page 3-7. If the switch is being installed as a standalone switch, proceed to “[Connecting AC and RPS-SYS Power](#)” on page 3-12 for power connection instructions.

Figure 3-2 Area Guidelines for Switch Installation on Flat Surface



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| 1 | Approximately 152 cm (5 ft) from power source | 3 | 44.5 cm (19.4 in.) for proper ventilation |
| 2 | 4.45 cm (1.75 in.) per switch. (Vertical clearance depends on number of switches stacked.) | 4 | 41.9 cm (16.5 in.) for proper ventilation |

Rack Mounting the Switch

To install the switch in a 19-inch rack, you need:

- Two rackmount brackets and mounting screws (rackmount kit) shipped with the switch.
- Four user-supplied screws to attach the switch to a standard 19-inch rack.

Refer to “[Torque Values](#)” on page A-4 for recommended torque values by screw size.

Guidelines for Rackmount Installation

The installation site must be within reach of the network cabling and meet the requirements listed below:

- Appropriate grounded power receptacles must be located within 152 cm (5 ft) of the location.
- A temperature of between 0°C (32°F) and 40°C (104°F) must be maintained at the installation site with fluctuations of less than 10°C (18°F) per hour.



Note: To ensure proper ventilation and prevent overheating, leave a minimum clearance space of 5.1 cm (2.0 in.) at the left, right, and rear of the switch.



Warning: Before rack-mounting the switch, ensure that the rack can support it without compromising stability. Otherwise, personal injury and/or equipment damage may result.

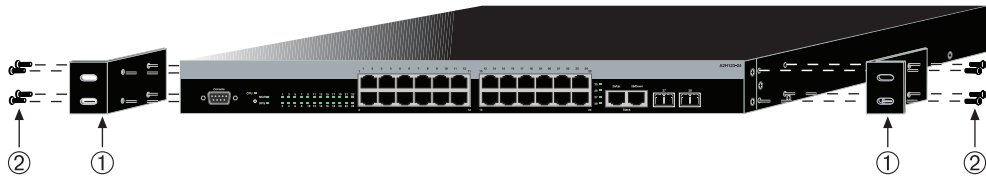
Advertencia: Antes de montar el equipo en el rack, asegurarse que el rack puede soportar su peso sin comprometer su propia estabilidad, de otra forma, daño personal o del equipo puede ocurrir.

Warnhinweis: Überzeugen Sie sich vor dem Einbau des Gerätes in das Rack von dessen Stabilität, ansonsten könnten Personenschäden oder Schäden am Gerät die Folge sein.

Attaching Brackets and Installing in Rack

Proceed as follows to install the switch into a 19-inch rack:

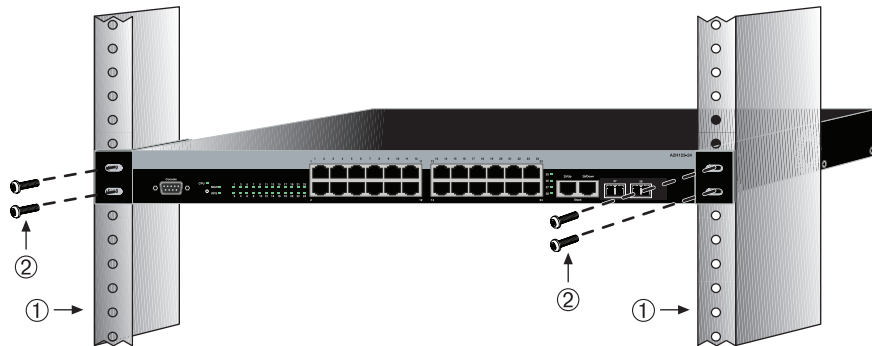
1. Attach the rackmount brackets to the switch, as shown in [Figure 3-3](#), using the eight M3x6 mm flathead screws shipped with the switch. Refer to “[Torque Values](#)” on page A-4 for recommended torque values by screw size.

Figure 3-3 Attaching the Rackmount Brackets

1 Rackmount brackets

2 M3x6 mm flathead screws

2. With the mounting brackets attached, position the switch between the vertical frame members of the 19-inch rack as shown in [Figure 3-4](#). Then fasten the switch securely to the frame using four mounting screws (user supplied). Refer to “[Torque Values](#)” on page A-4 for recommended torque values by screw size.

Figure 3-4 Fastening the Switch to the Rack

1 Rails of 19-inch rack

2 Mounting screws (supplied by user)

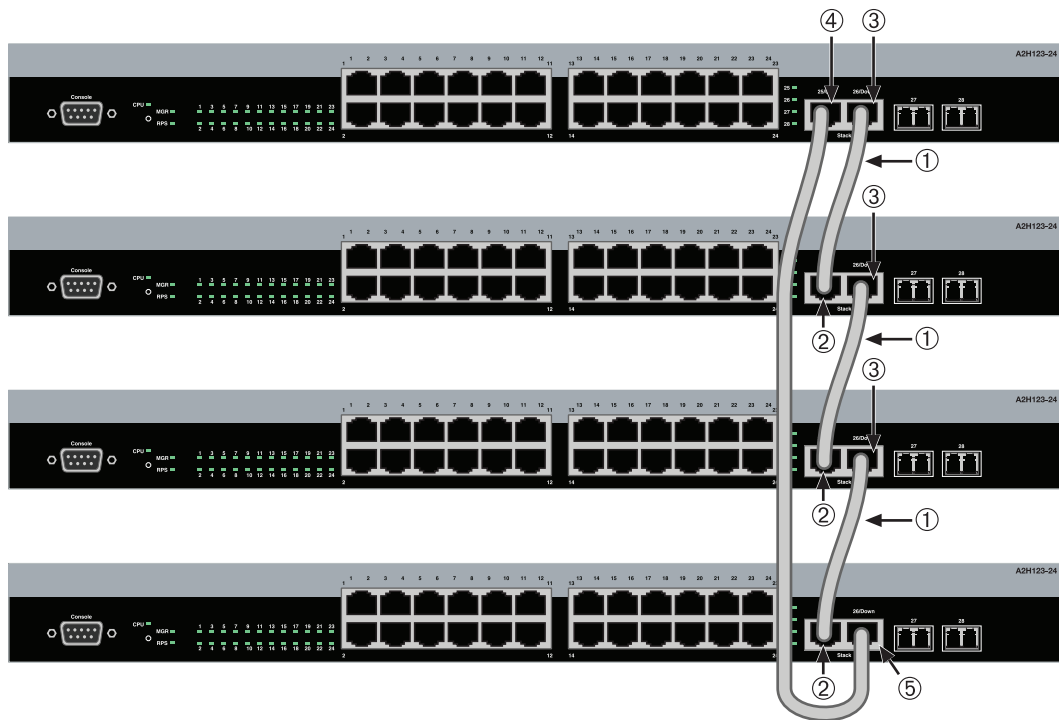
3. If you are installing this switch in a stacked configuration, repeat this procedure for each switch until all switches have been installed in the stack, then proceed to “[Connecting Stacking Cables](#)” on page 3-7. Otherwise, proceed to “[Connecting AC and RPS-SYS Power](#)” on page 3-12.

Connecting Stacking Cables

The stack of switches can be connected in a closed loop or daisy chained. In a closed loop, all the switches are connected in sequence and the last switch in the stack is connected back to the first switch. In a daisy chain configuration, the cable that would return the connection back to the first switch in a closed loop is not installed. The advantage of the closed loop is redundancy—this configuration eliminates any single point of failure. Up to eight switches can be stacked together and connected by standard UTP Category 5 or better cables. The stacking cables allow the entire stack to operate with a single IP address.

Figure 3-5 shows an example of a four-high stack connected in a closed loop configuration. All STACK DOWN and STACK UP connectors are used in the installation. The stacking cable connections are from the STACK DOWN connector of one switch to the STACK UP connector of the next switch up in the stack. A stacking cable connection from the STACK DOWN connector of the switch at the top of the stack to the STACK UP connector at the bottom of the stack closes the loop. In a daisy chain configuration, one cable connection is not made.

Figure 3-5 Stacking Cable Connections



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| 1 | Category 5 or better UTP cable | 4 | STACK UP connector at top of stack |
| 2 | STACK UP connector | 5 | STACK DOWN connector at bottom of stack |
| 3 | STACK DOWN connector | | |

After connecting the cables to the stacking ports, proceed to [“Configuring Switches in a Stack”](#) on page 3-9 for instructions.

Configuring Switches in a Stack

The information in the following sections is important to understand A2 switch operation and installations in a stack installation.

About SecureStack A2 Switch Operation in a Stack

The SecureStack A2 products are stackable switches that can be adapted and scaled to help meet your network needs. These switches provide a management platform and uplink to a network backbone for a stacked group of up to eight A2 switches.

Once installed in a stack, the switches behave and perform as a single switch. As such, you can start with a single switch and add more switches as your network expands. You can also mix different products in the same family in a single stack to provide a desired combination of port types and functions to match the requirements of individual applications. In all cases, a stack of switches performs as one large product, and is managed as a single network entity.

When switches are installed and connected as described back in [“Connecting Stacking Cables”](#) on page 3-7, the following occurs during initialization:

- The switch that will manage the stack is automatically established and is referred to as the Manager switch.
- All other switches are established as Member switches in the stack.
- The hierarchy of the switches that will assume the function of backup manager is also determined in case the current manager malfunctions, is powered down, or is disconnected from the stack.
- The Console port on the manager switch remains active for out-of-band (local) switch management, but the Console port on each member switch is deactivated. This enables you to set the IP address and system password using a single Console port. Now each switch can be configured locally using only the manager’s Console port, or in-band using a remote device and the CLI set of commands described in this section. For procedures used for various types of connections to the Console port, refer to [“Connecting to Console Port for Local Management”](#) on page 3-15.

Once a stack is created (more than one switch is interconnected), the following occurs:

1. Switch (unit) IDs are arbitrarily assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.
2. Switch IDs are saved against each module. Then, every time a board is power-cycled, it will initialize with the same switch ID. This is important for port-specific information (for example: fe.4.12 is the 12th Fast Ethernet port on switch number 4).

3. The management election process uses the following precedence to assign a management switch:
 - a. Previously assigned/elected management switch
 - b. Management assigned priority (values 1–15)
 - c. Hardware preference level
 - d. Highest MAC Address

Recommended Procedures for New and Existing Stacks

Important

The following procedures assume that all switches have a clean configuration from manufacturing. When adding a new switch to an already running stack, it is also assumed that the new switch is using the same firmware image version as other switches in the stack.

Installing a New Stackable System of Up to Eight Switches

Use the following procedure to install a new stack of up to eight switches out of the box. Before applying power, make **all** physical connections with the stack cables as described in [“Connecting Stacking Cables”](#) on page 3-7.

1. Once all of the stack cables have been connected, individually power on each switch from top to bottom (connecting power to a switch is described in [“Connecting AC and RPS-SYS Power”](#) on page 3-12).

If the switches are powered on almost simultaneously, the system will automatically select the first one that powers up as the Master switch and the others as Member switches. The switches are assigned unit IDs in the order that they become fully operational.

You can control the unit ID assignment according to the physical position in a stack. When you power up each switch and allow it to become fully operational before applying power to the next switch, the first one becomes the Manager and all the next switches will join that stack (regardless of Priority, Firmware Revision, or MAC Address). The switches are assigned unit IDs in the order that you power on each switch.



Note: Once switch IDs are assigned, they are persistent and will be retained during a power cycle to any or all of the switches.

2. (Optional) If desired, change the management switch using the **set switch movemanagement** command as described in the *SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide*.

3. Once the desired master unit has been selected, reset the system using the **reset** command.
4. After the stack has been configured, you can use the **show switch unit** command to physically identify each unit. When you enter the command with a unit number, the MGR LED of the specified switch will blink for 10 seconds. The normal state of this LED is off for member units and steady green for the manager unit.
5. Persistent data on all stack units can be cleared along with the current configuration using the **clear config all** as described in the *SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide*.

Adding a New Switch to an Existing Stack

Use the following procedure to install a new switch to an existing stack configuration. This procedure assumes that the new switch being added has a clean configuration from manufacturing and is running the same firmware image version as other switches in the stack.

1. Ensure that power is off on the new switch being installed.
2. Use one of the following methods to complete the stack cable connections:
 - If the running stack uses a daisy chain topology, make the stack cable connections from the bottom of the stack to the new switch (that is, STACK DOWN port from the bottom switch of the running stack to the STACK UP port on the new switch).
 - If the running stack uses a closed loop configuration, break the loop and make the stack cable connections to the new switch to close the loop.
3. Apply power to the new switch.

Using the clear config Command in a Stack

When using the **clear config** command (as described in the *SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide*) to clear configuration parameters in a stack, it is important to remember the following:

- Use **clear config** to clear config parameters without clearing stack switch IDs. This command WILL NOT clear stack parameters and avoids the process of re-numbering the stack.
- Use **clear config all** when it is necessary to clear all config parameters, including stack switch IDs and switch priority values.
- Use **clear ip address** to remove the IP address of the stack.

Refer to the *SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide* for more information about stacking-specific commands and creating a virtual switch configuration.

Connecting AC and RPS-SYS Power

AC Power



Note: The power supply in the switch has automatic voltage sensing that allows connection to power sources ranging from 100 to 240 VAC.

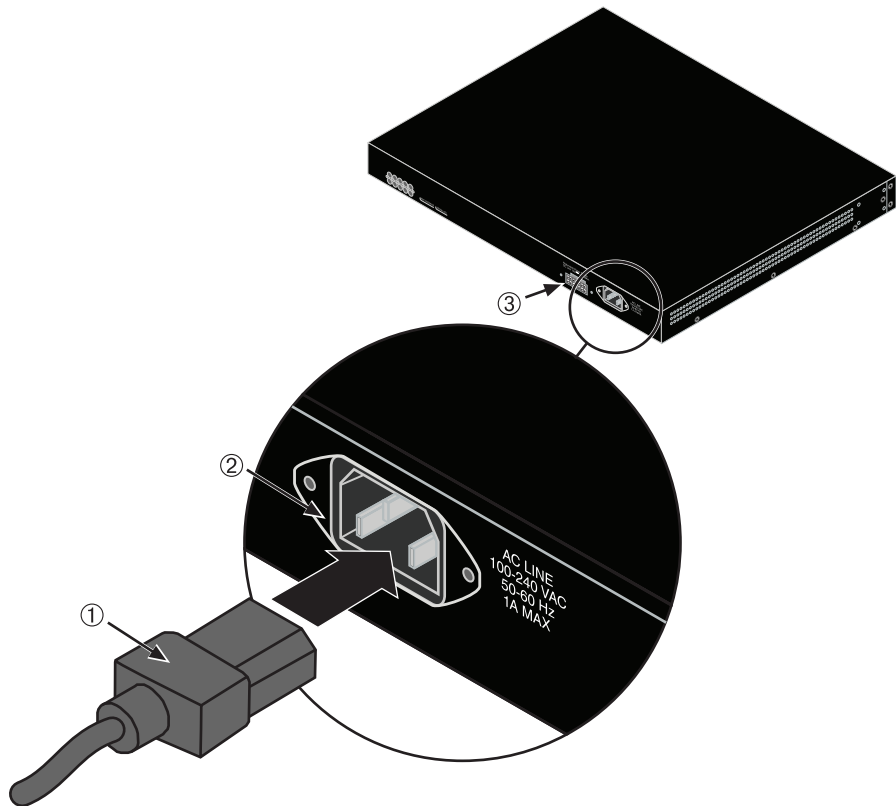
To connect a switch to the AC power source, refer to [Figure 3-6](#) and proceed as follows:

1. Plug the power cord into the switch AC power connector.
2. Plug the other end of the power cord into a dedicated grounded AC outlet (not shown). The type of power outlet and power cord are country-dependent.



Note: If you plan to connect all the switches quickly to allow automatic Manager selection, wait until all switches are fully operational before proceeding to the next step.

If you plan to power up each switch and allow it to become fully operational before applying power to the next switch, proceed to the next step.

Figure 3-6 Switch Rear View

1 AC power cord 2 AC power connector 3 Connector for external redundant power supply

3. Observe the power CPU LED (not shown), located on the front panel. During the initialization, the CPU LED will start by illuminating solid amber, then start blinking green, then blinking amber, then blinking green again until the end of the initialization, and then turns solid green.



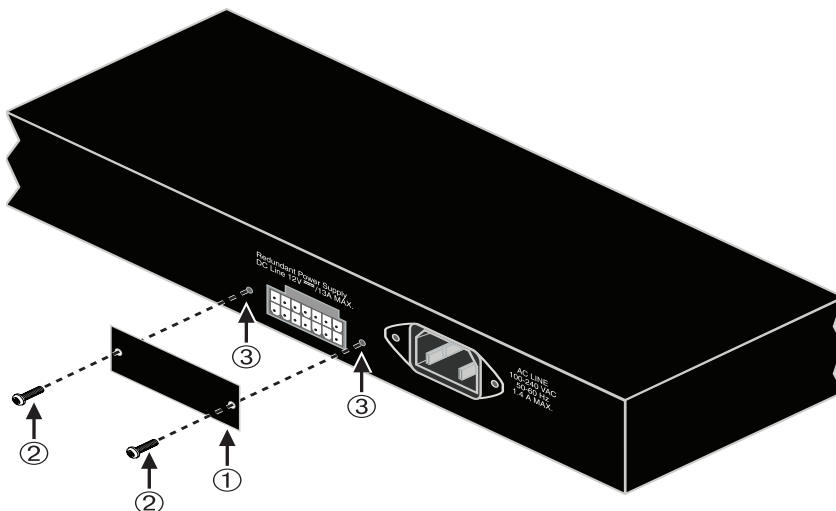
Note: If the CPU LED illuminates solid red, there was a critical failure. For more information about the LED indications and troubleshooting, refer to [Chapter 4](#). If you need additional help, contact Enterasys Networks. Refer to [“Getting Help”](#) on page xviii for details.

If the switch is a standalone switch, it will take approximately 30 seconds for the switch to start up. If the switch is a stack Manager, it can take up to 3 minutes or more to start up, depending on the number of Member switches in the stack.

C2RPS-SYS Redundant Power System

If you are installing an optional redundant power system (C2RPS-SYS), refer to the installation instructions supplied with the SecureStack RPS. The switch is connected to a C2RPS-PSM using a C2RPS-PSM Cable.

Figure 3-7 Accessing the RPS Connector



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| <p>1 RPS coverplate</p> <p>2 Retaining screws to fasten plate</p> | <p>3 Screw holes for coverplate</p> |
|---|-------------------------------------|



Caution: To prevent damaging the switch, DO NOT connect a Power over Ethernet-compliant Redundant Power System (C2RPS-POE) to the redundant power supply connector. The switch is only compatible with the SecureStack C2RPS-SYS redundant power supply system.

Precaución: No conecte una fuente de poder redundante (RPS) SecureStack PoE (C2RPS-POE) al cable de corriente. De lo contrario, el dispositivo puede dañarse.

If you are installing the switch as a standalone switch, proceed to [“Connecting to Console Port for Local Management”](#) on page 3-15. If you are installing switches in a stack configuration, apply power to each switch in order, according to the procedure described in [“Configuring Switches in a Stack”](#) on page 3-9.

Stack Initialization Overview

When you install and connect all the stacking cables to the switches in the stack before applying power to the switches, the following occurs:

- The switch that will manage (Manager) the stack is automatically established with all other switches established as Member switches in the stack. When the switches complete their initializations, one of the switches in the stack will illuminate its Manager LED, indicating that it is the stack Manager. The Manager LED on each Member switch will be off.
- The hierarchy of the switches that will function as backup Manager is also determined in case the current Manager malfunctions, is powered down, or is disconnected from the stack.
- The Console port on each Member switch will provide only the unit number. Only the Console port on the Manager switch is active and provides a CLI for out-of band configuration to set the IP address, password, and other settings.

Once you know which switch is the Manager, proceed to “[Connecting to Console Port for Local Management](#)” on page 3-15.

Connecting to Console Port for Local Management

This section describes how to connect an RS232 DTE interface cable from a PC, a VT series terminal, or a modem to an A2H123-24 for out-of-band sessions using CLI commands.



Note: When switches are connected in a stack configuration and all stacking cables are connected before powering up the switches, one switch in the stack will be automatically designated as the Manager of the stack and its Console port will remain active. All other switches will become Member switches and their Console ports will be deactivated.

What Is Needed

The following is a list of user-supplied DTE interface cables that may be needed to connect the DB9 male Console port connector on the switch. The cables are terminated by a DB9 female connector at one end, and by one of three type connectors at the other end, depending on the type connection needed for the remote device. The cables that may be needed are as follows:

- DB9 female-to-DB9 female
- DB9 female-to-DB25 female
- DB9 female-to-DB25 male

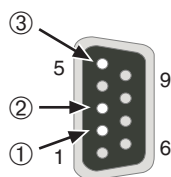
Using a DTE modem DB9 female-to-DB9 female cable, you can connect products equipped with a DB9 DTE male console port to an IBM or compatible PC running a VT series emulation software package.

Using a DTE modem DB9 female-to-DB25 female cable, you can connect products equipped with a DB9 DTE male console port to a VT series terminal or VT type terminals running emulation programs for the VT series.

Using a DTE modem DB9 female-to-DB25 male cable, you can connect products equipped with a DB9 DTE male console port to a Hayes compatible modem that supports 9600 baud.

The cable used must connect the Console port Received Data, Pin 2 to the Transmitted Data pin at the other end of the cable. The connection from the Console port Transmitted Data, Pin 3 (must be connected) to the Received Data pin cable connection at the other end of the cable. The DB9 Console port pin assignments are shown in [Figure 3-8](#).

Figure 3-8 DB9 Male Console Port Pinout Assignments



- 1 Pin 2, Received Data (input)
 - 2 Pin 3, Transmitted Data (output)
 - 3 Pin 5, Signal Ground
- All other pins not connected.

Connecting to an IBM or Compatible Device

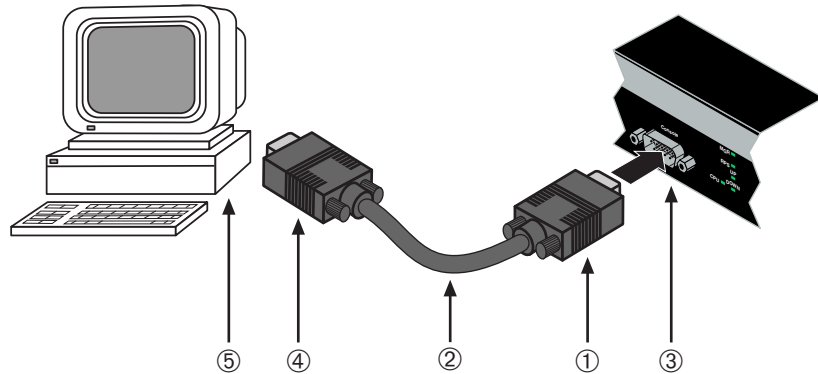
To connect an IBM PC or compatible device, running the VT terminal emulation, to an Enterasys switch Console port ([Figure 3-9](#)), proceed as follows:

1. Connect the DB9 female connector at one end of the cable (not supplied) to the Console port on the Enterasys switch. (If there is a switch designated as the Manager, connect to its Console port.)
2. Plug the DB9 female connector at the other end of cable into the communications port on the PC.
3. Turn on the PC and configure your VT emulation package with the following parameters:

Parameter	Setting
Mode	7 Bit Control
Transmit	Transmit=9600
Bits Parity	8 Bits, No Parity
Stop Bit	1 Stop Bit

When these parameters are set, the Startup screen will display. Proceed to [“Connecting to the Network”](#) on page 3-19.

Figure 3-9 Connecting an IBM PC or Compatible



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| 1 DB9 female connector | 4 DB9 female connector |
| 2 Serial interface cable | 5 PC with VT emulation application |
| 3 DB9 male Console port connector | |

Connecting to a VT Series Terminal

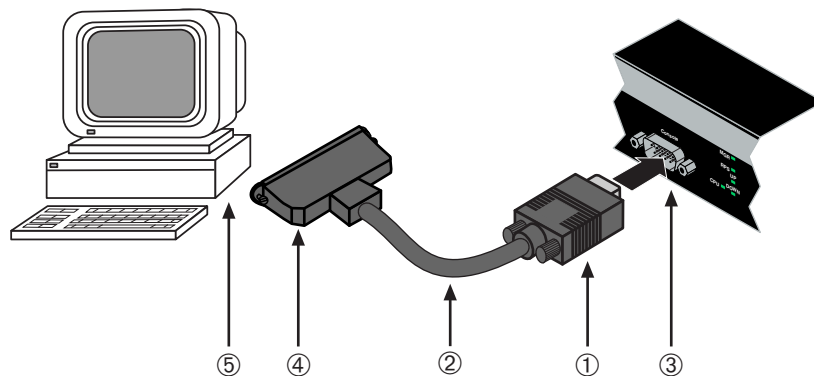
To connect a VT Series terminal to an Enterasys switch Console port (Figure 3-10), use a UTP serial interface cable terminated with a DB9 female connector and a DB25 female connector and proceed as follows:

1. Connect the DB9 female connector at one end of cable to the Console port DB9 male connector on the Enterasys switch. (If there is a switch designated as the Manager, connect to its Console port.)
2. Plug the DB25 female connector at the other end of the cable into the port labeled COMM on the VT terminal.
3. Turn on the terminal and access the Setup Directory. Set the following parameters on your terminal.

Parameter	Setting
Mode	7 Bit Control
Transmit	Transmit=9600
Bits Parity	8 Bits, No Parity
Stop Bit	1 Stop Bit

When these parameters are set, the Startup screen will display. Proceed to [“Connecting to the Network”](#) on page 3-19.

Figure 3-10 Connecting a VT Series Terminal



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| 1 DB9 female connector | 4 DB25 female connector |
| 2 Serial interface cable | 5 PC with VT emulation application |
| 3 DB9 male Console port connector | |

Connecting to a Modem

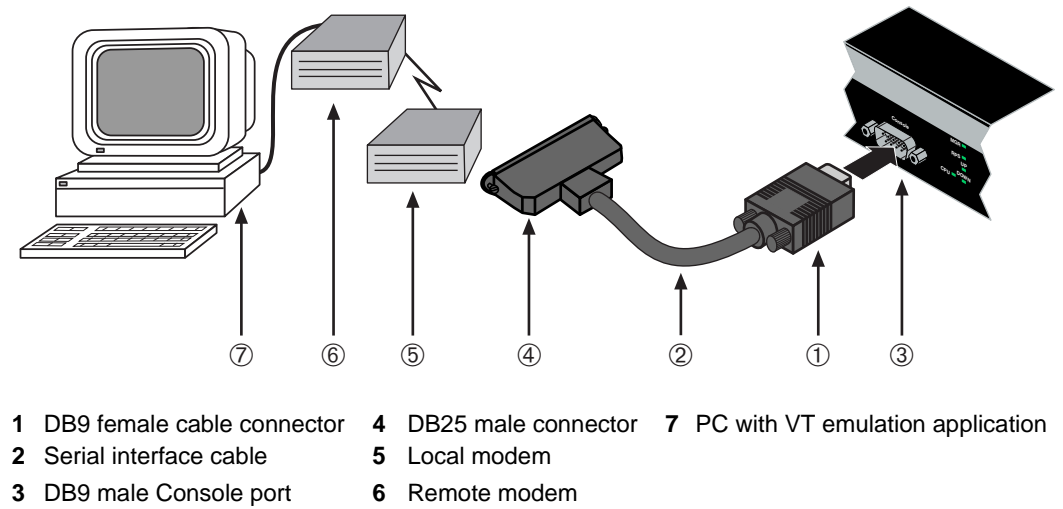
To connect a modem to an Enterasys Networks switch modem port ([Figure 3-11](#)), use a UTP cable terminated with a DB9 female connector and a DB25 male connector, and proceed as follows:

1. Connect the DB9 female connector at one end of the cable to the Console port DB9 connector on the Enterasys switch. (If there is a switch designated as the Manager, connect to its Console port.)
2. Plug the DB25 male connector at the other end of the cable into the modem communications port.
3. Turn on the modem and make sure the remote modem is ON.
4. With your PC connected to the remote modem, configure your VT emulation package with the following parameters:

Parameter	Setting
Mode	7 Bit Control
Transmit	Transmit=9600
Bits Parity	8 Bits, No Parity
Stop Bit	1 Stop Bit

When these parameters are set, the Startup screen will display. If the switches are in a stacked configuration, proceed to [“Connecting to the Network”](#) on page 3-19.

Figure 3-11 Connecting to a Modem



Connecting to the Network

The following procedures cover the cable connections from the network or other devices to the switch RJ45 ports or any installed optional Mini-GBIC.

- [Connecting UTP Cables](#) on page 3-19
- [Connecting Fiber-Optic Cables to LC Ports](#) on page 3-23

Connecting UTP Cables

The fixed RJ45 front panel ports (ports 1 through 24) are 10/100 Mbps ports and have auto polarity detect. The two front panel 1000 Mbps stacking ports, ports 25 and 26, which can be configured as standard Gigabit Ethernet ports, also have auto polarity detect. Refer to the *SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide* for information about configuring standalone A2 stack ports.

When connecting a workstation to these ports, use a straight-through cable. When connecting networking devices to these ports, such as a bridge, repeater, or router, it is not necessary to use a crossover cable.

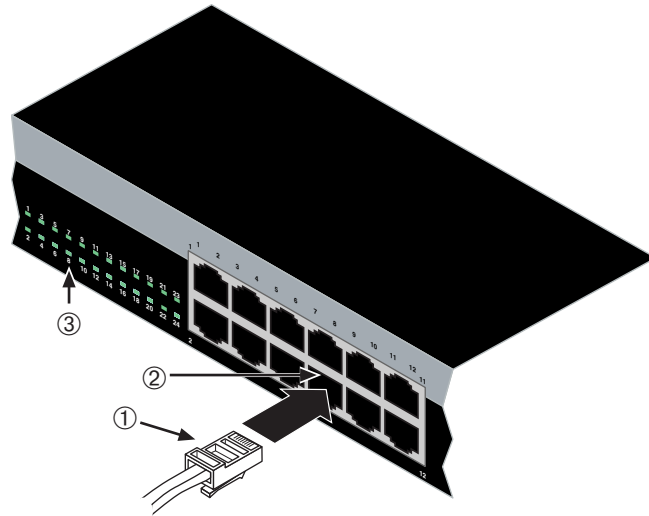


Note: All fixed RJ45 front panel ports support Category 5 Unshielded Twisted Pair (UTP) cabling with an impedance between 85 and 111 ohms. Category 3 cable may be used if the connection is going to be used only for 10 Mbps.

To connect twisted pair segments to the switch, refer to [Figure 3-12](#) and proceed as follows:

1. Ensure that the device to be connected at the other end of the segment is powered ON.
2. Connect the twisted pair segment to the switch by inserting the RJ45 connector on the twisted pair segment into the desired RJ45 port (for example, Port 8).

Figure 3-12 Connecting a UTP Cable Segment to RJ45 Port



1 RJ45 connector

2 Port 8

3 Port 8 Link/Activity LED

3. Verify that a link exists by checking that the Link/Activity LED is ON (solid green or blinking green). If the Link/Activity LED is OFF, perform the following steps until it is on:
 - a. Verify that the cabling being used is Category 5 or better with an impedance between 85 and 111 ohms with a maximum length of 100 meters (328 feet).
 - b. Verify that the device at the other end of the twisted pair segment is on and properly connected to the segment.
 - c. Verify that the RJ45 connectors on the twisted pair segment have the proper pinouts and check the cable for continuity. Typically, a crossover cable is used between hub devices but this is not necessary. A straight-through cable can be used to connect between the switch and any device. Refer to [Figure 3-13](#) and [Figure 3-14](#) for four-wire RJ45 connections. Refer to [Figure 3-15](#) and [Figure 3-16](#) for eight-wire RJ45 connections.

- d. Ensure that the twisted pair connection meets the dB loss and cable specifications outlined in the *Cabling Guide*. Refer to [“Related Documents”](#) on page xvi for information on obtaining this document.
4. If a link is not established, contact Enterasys Networks. Refer to [“Getting Help”](#) on page xviii for details.

Repeat all steps above until all connections have been made.

Figure 3-13 Four-Wire Crossover Cable RJ45 Pinouts for 10/100BASE-TX

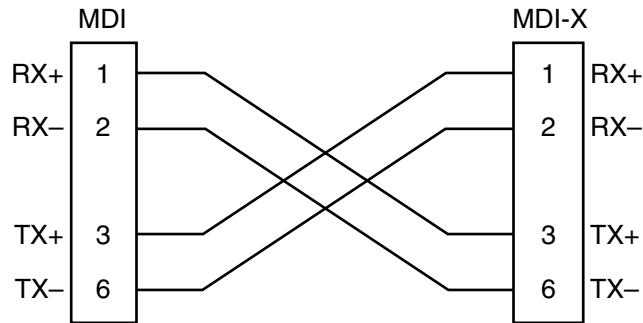


Figure 3-14 Four-Wire Straight-Through Cable RJ45 Pinouts for 10/100BASE-TX

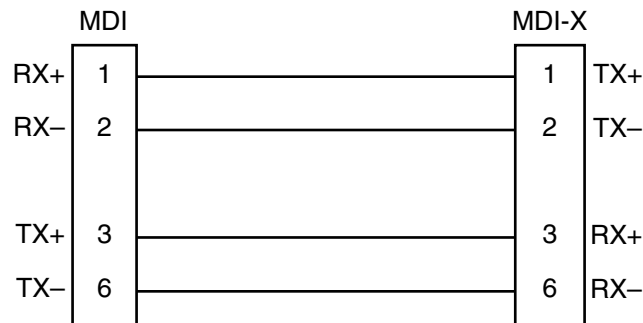


Figure 3-15 Eight-Wire Crossover Cable RJ45 Pinouts for 1000BASE-TX

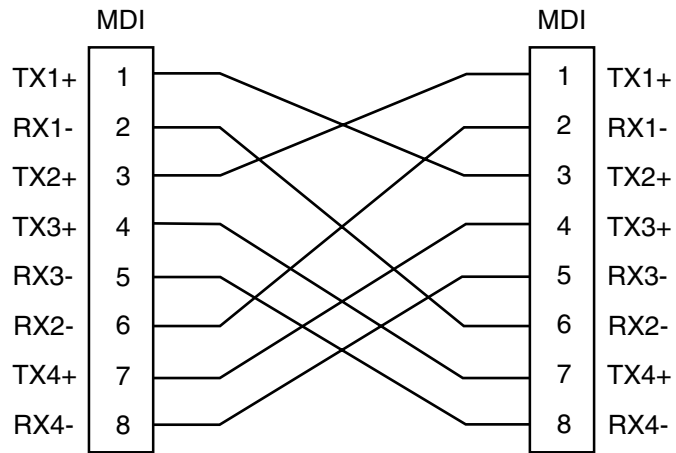
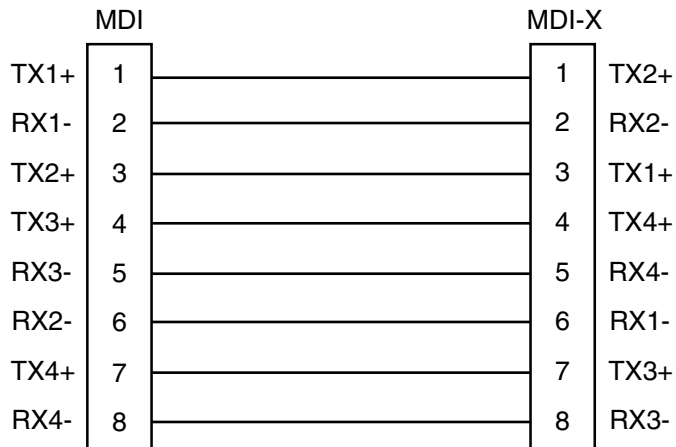


Figure 3-16 Eight-Wire Straight-Through Cable RJ45 Pinouts for 1000BASE-TX



Connecting Fiber-Optic Cables to LC Ports

This section describes how to connect a 100BASE-FX multimode fiber-optic segment from the network or other devices to an LC port connector.

Each fiber-optic link consists of two fiber-optic strands within the cable:

- Transmit (TX)
- Receive (RX)

The transmit strand from a switch port connects to the receive port of a fiber-optic Fast Ethernet device at the other end of the segment. The receive strand of the applicable LC port connects to the transmit port of the fiber-optic Fast Ethernet device.

Enterasys recommends labeling fiber-optic cables to indicate receive and transmit ends. Many cables are pre-labeled, providing matching labels or tapes at both ends of each strand of cable.

To connect an LC cable connector to a fixed LC connector, refer to [Figure 3-17](#) and proceed as follows:



Caution: Do not touch the ends of the fiber-optic strands, and do not let the ends come in contact with dust, dirt, or other contaminants. Contamination of cable ends causes problems in data transmissions. If the ends of the fiber-optic strands become contaminated, use a canned duster to blow the surfaces clean. A fiber-port cleaning swab saturated with optical-grade isopropyl alcohol may also be used to clean the ends.

Precaución: No toque los extremos de los cables de fibra óptica y evite su contacto con el polvo, la suciedad o con cualquier otro contaminante. Si los extremos de los cables se ensucian, es posible que la transmisión de datos se vea afectada. Si nota que los extremos de los cables de fibra óptica se ensucian, utilice aire comprimido para limpiarlos. También puede limpiarlos con un estropajo embebido en alcohol isopropílico.

1. Remove the protective covers (not shown) from the front panel LC fiber-optic port (port 27 in this example) and from the connectors on each end of the cable.

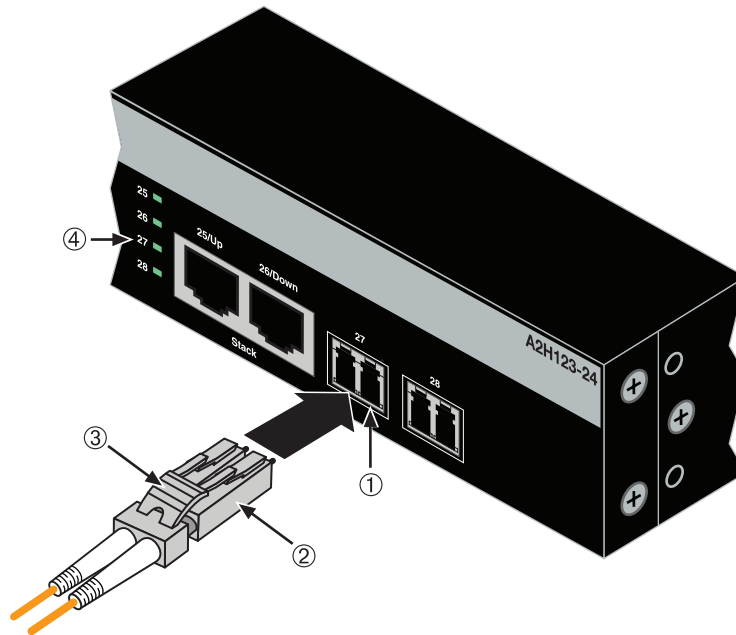


Note: Leave the protective covers in place when the connectors are not in use to prevent contamination.

2. Insert the LC cable connector into the LC port connector until it clicks into place.



Note: To remove the LC cable connector, press on its release tab and pull it out of the LC connector.

Figure 3-17 Cable Connection to LC Fiber-Optic Connectors

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|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 LC port connector | 3 Release tab |
| 2 LC cable connector | 4 Link/Activity LED |

3. Plug the other end of the cable into the appropriate port on the other device. Some cables may be terminated at the other end with two separate connectors, one for each fiber-optic strand. In this case, ensure that the transmit fiber-optic strand is connected to the receive port and the receive fiber-optic strand to the transmit port.
4. Verify that a link exists by checking that the port Link/Activity LED is on (blinking green or solid green). If the Link/Activity LED is off, perform the following steps until it is on:
 - a. Verify that the device at the other end of the segment is ON and connected to the segment.
 - b. If there are separate fiber-optic connections on the other device, check the crossover of the cables. Swap the cable connections if necessary.
 - c. Check that the fiber-optic connection meets the dB loss and cable specifications outlined in the *Cabling Guide* for multimode mode cabling. To obtain this document, refer to [“Related Documents”](#) on page xvi.
 - d. If a link has not been established, refer to [Chapter 4](#) for LED troubleshooting details. If a problem persists, refer to [“Getting Help”](#) on page xviii for details on contacting Enterasys Networks for support.

5. Repeat steps 1 through 4, above, until all connections have been made.

Completing the Installation

After installing the switch and making the connections to the network, access the switch management, as described below.

Initial Logon to Switch Management

To initially access switch management from your local PC, terminal, or modem connection, proceed as follows at the displayed startup screen:

1. Enter **rw** (Read-Write) or **admin** (superuser) for Username.
2. At the Password prompt, press **Enter** (RETURN).
3. For details on how to configure the switch using the command line interface, refer to the *SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide*. The CLI commands enable you to set a new password and perform more involved management configurations on the switch. One of many capabilities is to reconfigure the stack, reassigning the Manager function to another switch and configuring the order of Member switches that will take over the stack management functions in case the operating Manager is powered down, malfunctions, or is removed from the stack.
4. After the initial configuration, you can also use WebView (Enterasys Networks' embedded web server) for configuration and management tasks.

All the guides associated with the switch are available online at:
<http://www.enterasys.com/support/manuals>

Once you are confident that the installation is successful, route and secure your cables. If you require assistance, contact Enterasys Networks using one of the methods described in “[Getting Help](#)” on page xviii.

Troubleshooting

This chapter provides information concerning the following:

For information about...	Refer to page...
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Troubleshooting Checklist	4-6
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This device contains a battery that is not considered a user replaceable part. If the battery needs to be replaced, contact customer service for repair.



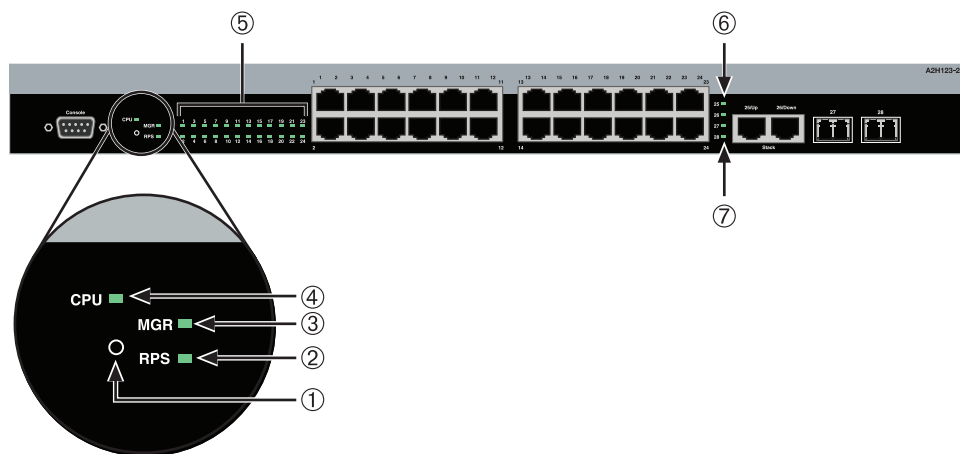
Caution: There is a risk of explosion if the battery is replaced with an incorrect type. A used battery may be safely disposed in a municipal waste stream.

Precaucion: Hay riesgo de explosion si la bateria se reemplaza con el typo incorrecto. Puede tirar la bateria usada en la basura.

Using LANVIEW

These switches support the Enterasys Networks built-in LANVIEW LED visual diagnostic and status monitoring system. The LANVIEW LEDs on the A2H123-24 are shown in [Figure 4-1](#). These LEDs allow you to quickly observe network status for diagnosing switch and network problems.

Figure 4-1 LANVIEW LEDs of A2H123-24



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| 1 | Recessed password reset button | 5 | 10/100 Mbps ports Link/Activity LEDs |
| 2 | Redundant power supply active | 6 | 1000 Mbps stacking ports Link/Activity LEDs |
| 3 | Unit selected as stack manager | 7 | LC connector ports Link/Activity LEDs |
| 4 | CPU and power indicator | | |



Note: The terms **flashing**, **blinking**, and **solid** used in [Table 4-1](#) indicate the following:

Flashing: LED is flashing randomly.

Blinking: LED is flashing at a steady rate (approximately 50% on, 50% off).

Solid: LED is on steady and not pulsing.

Table 4-1 LANVIEW LEDs

LED	Color	State	Recommended Action
CPU	Off	Power disconnected.	<p>If the LED remains off after connecting AC power or DC power from an RPS, check the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Make sure there is power at the power source (AC source and RPS if applicable). 2. Replace the power cord with a known good one or check the continuity of the power cord. 3. If the SecureStack A2 still does not power up, the system may have a fatal error. Contact Enterasys Networks for technical support.
	Red	Solid. Boot-up failed.	If the LED remains red for several minutes, the system may have a fatal error. Contact Enterasys Networks for technical support.
		Blinking. Diagnostics have failed.	Contact Enterasys Networks for technical support.
	Amber	Solid. Diagnostics are running.	If the LED remains amber for more than several minutes, contact Enterasys Networks for technical support.
		Blinking. Code image is being downloaded.	None.
	Green	Solid. System is fully functional.	None.
		Blinking. Boot-up in process.	None.

Table 4-1 LANVIEW LEDs (continued)

LED	Color	State	Recommended Action
26/Stack Down	Off	No valid connection to switch stackup connector.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Make sure the switch connected to the stackup connector is powered on. 2. Replace cable with a known good one. 3. If the problem still exists, contact Enterasys Networks for technical support.
	Green	<p>Solid. Valid connection to switch stackup connector.</p> <p>Flashing. Information is being transferred via the stacking cable.</p>	None.
25/Stack Up	Off	No valid connection to switch stackdown connector.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Make sure the switch connected to the stackdown connector is powered on. 2. Replace cable with a known good one. 3. If the problem still exists, contact Enterasys Networks for technical support.
	Green	<p>Solid. Valid connection to switch stackdown connector.</p> <p>Flashing. Information is being transferred via the stacking cable.</p>	None.
Manager	Off	Switch is operating as a Member in the stack.	None.
	Green	Solid. Switch is operating as the Manager of the stack.	None.

Table 4-1 LANVIEW LEDs (continued)

LED	Color	State	Recommended Action
RPS	Off	The RPS LED remains off regardless if the RPS is attached or not. The LED being in its off state is not an indication that the RPS is not functioning properly and won't supply power in the event of an AC power supply failure. See Amber state below.	None.
	Amber	Solid. The switch internal power supply failed, and the RPS is providing the proper power to the switch.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure that the AC power cord is plugged in correctly and that there is power at the AC power source. 2. Replace the power cord with a known good one. 3. If the problem persists, contact Enterasys Networks for technical support.
Link Activity	Off	1. No link - no connection.	None.
		2. Remote device powered off.	Power on remote device.
		3. Port in standby.	Use CLI to enable port.
4. Cable is bad.		Replace UTP cable.	
Green	Solid. Port is linked, but the interface is not receiving any traffic.	None.	
	Blinking. Port is linked and traffic is being received or transmitted by the interface.	None.	

Troubleshooting Checklist

If the device is not working properly, refer to [Table 4-2](#) for a checklist of problems, possible causes, and recommended actions to resolve the problem.

Table 4-2 Troubleshooting Checklist

Problem	Possible Cause	Recommended Action
All LEDs are OFF.	Loss of power.	<p>Ensure that the SecureStack A2 was installed properly according to the installation instructions in Chapter 3.</p> <p>Ensure that the power cords are connected properly to an active power source that meets the AC input specifications for this switch.</p> <p>Ensure that the AC power cord is not damaged. Replace the power cord with a known good one.</p>
All LEDs are OFF	Possible mismatch in code between the master and the device. If the switch does not have the same code as the stack master the switch will not join the stack and all LEDs will remain off.	<p>Connect to the console port and type “show switch”. If a code mismatch is the cause, the output of the above command will show “code version mismatch”.</p> <p>Disconnect the switch from the stack and load the necessary code to match the stack master.</p>
No local management startup screen.	Incorrect terminal setup.	Refer to the <i>SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide</i> for proper setup procedures.
	Improper Console cable pinouts.	Refer to Appendix A for proper Console port pinouts.
	Corrupt firmware image, or hardware fault.	If possible, attempt to download the image to the device again. Refer to the <i>SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide</i> for details.
Cannot navigate beyond startup screen.	Improper Community Names Table.	Refer to the <i>SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide</i> for the Community Names Table setup.

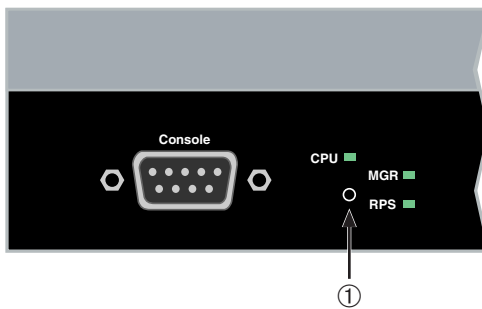
Table 4-2 Troubleshooting Checklist (continued)

Problem	Possible Cause	Recommended Action
<p>Cannot contact the SecureStack A2 through in-band management.</p>	<p>IP address not assigned.</p>	<p>Refer to the <i>SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide</i> for the IP address assignment procedure.</p>
	<p>Port is disabled.</p>	<p>This is normal if the switch is a Member in a stack.</p> <p>If operating as a standalone switch or as the Manager in a stack, enable the port. Refer to the <i>SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide</i> for instructions to enable/disable ports.</p>
	<p>No link to switch.</p>	<p>Verify that all network connections between the network management station and the device are valid and operating.</p> <p>If the problem continues, contact Enterasys Networks for technical support.</p>
<p>Port(s) goes into standby for no apparent reason.</p>	<p>Loop condition detected.</p>	<p>Verify that Spanning Tree is enabled. Refer to the <i>SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide</i> for the instructions to set the type of STA.</p> <p>Review the network design and delete unnecessary loops.</p> <p>If the problem continues, contact Enterasys Networks for technical support.</p>
<p>User parameters (IP address, switch and module name, etc.) were lost when the SecureStack A2 power was cycled.</p>	<p>Clear NVRAM was set using CLI commands.</p>	<p>Reenter the lost parameters as necessary. Refer to the <i>SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide</i> for the instructions to configure the SecureStack A2 using CLI commands.</p> <p>If the problem continues, contact Enterasys Networks for technical support.</p>

Using the Reset Switch

If you forget the SecureStack A2 login password, use the Reset switch as described in the following procedure.

Figure 4-2 Reset Switch



1 Reset switch

To reset the SecureStack A2 password, refer to [Figure 4-2](#) and proceed as follows:



Note: Notify the system manager before changing the password.

1. Press-and-hold the Reset switch while the switch is operational. This change of the login password to the default password will be indicated via CLI only.
2. Logon to switch management. You can now logon to the switch via the Console port and assign a new password using the command line interface (CLI).
3. To access switch management from your local PC, terminal, or modem connection, refer to the *SecureStack A2 Configuration Guide* for instructions on how to log in and enter a new password. The guide is available online at:

<http://www.enterasys.com/support/manuals>

If you require assistance, contact Enterasys Networks using one of the methods described in “[Getting Help](#)” on page xviii.



Specifications

This appendix provides information about the following:

For information about...	Refer to page...
Switch Specifications	A-1
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Console Port Pinout Assignments	A-3
Torque Values	A-4
Regulatory Compliance	A-4

Enterasys Networks reserves the right to change the specifications at any time without notice.

Switch Specifications

[Table A-1](#) provides the I/O ports, processors and memory, physical, and environmental specifications for the A2H123-24.

Table A-1 A2H123-24 Switch Specifications

Item	Specification
RJ45 ports 1 through 24	Twenty-four 10/100BASE-T compliant ports with auto-sensing and auto-negotiation via RJ45 UTP connectors.
RJ45 ports 25 and 26	Two 10/100/1000BASE-T compliant ports with auto-sensing and auto-negotiation via RJ45 UTP connectors for stacking. In standalone mode, these ports can be used for host connections and interswitch links.
LC ports 27 and 28	Two LC connector ports provide 100BASE-FX fiber-optic connections.

Table A-1 A2H123-24 Switch Specifications (continued)

Item	Specification
AC Input Specifications	
Input Voltage	100 – 240 VAC
Input Current	1 A Max
Frequency	50 – 60 Hz
Processors/Memory	
Processor	MPC8241, 266 MHz processor with a 33 MHz PCI and 133 MHz SDRAM
Dynamic Random Access Memory (DRAM)	128 MB
FLASH Memory	16 MB
Physical	
Dimensions	4.4 H x 44.1 W x 21.0 D cm (1.7 H x 17.4 W x 8.27 D in.)
Approximate Weight	Gross: 3.4 kg (7.496 lb) (shipping carton containing one module) Net: 2.61 kg (5.754 lb) (one module without packaging)
Predicted hours for Mean Time Between Failures (MTBF)	125,594 hours
Heat Dissipation (maximum)	@ 29.01 W, 99 Btu/hr
Environmental	
Operating Temperature	0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F)
Storage Temperature	-40°C to 70°C (-40°F to 158°F)
Operating Relative Humidity	5% to 95% (non-condensing)

Fiber-Optic Specifications

Two 100BASE-FX fiber ports (Multimode) with LC connectors are located on the front panel. The specifications shown in the following tables meet or exceed the IEEE 802.3z-1998 standard.

Table A-2 LC Port Optical Specifications

Item	62.5 μm MMF	50 μm MMF
Transmit Power (minimum)	-9.5 dBm	-9.5 dBm
Receive Sensitivity	-17 dBm	-17 dBm
Link Power Budget	7.5 dBm	7.5 dBm

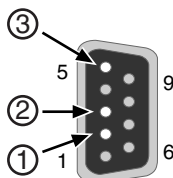
Table A-3 LC Port Operating Range

Item	Modal Bandwidth @ 850 nm	Range
62.5 μm MMF	160 MHz/km	2-220 Meters
62.5 μm MMF	200 MHz/km	2-275 Meters
50 μm MMF	400 MHz/km	2-500 Meters
50 μm MMF	500 MHz/km	2-550 Meters

Console Port Pinout Assignments

The Console port is a DB9 serial communications port for local access to Local Management. Refer to [Figure A-1](#) for the Console port pin assignments.

Figure A-1 Console Port Pinout Assignments



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| 1 Pin 2, Received Data (input) | 3 Pin 5, Signal Ground |
| 2 Pin 3, Transmitted Data (output) | All other pins not connected. |

Torque Values

The following table describes the recommended torque values to use when installing the SecureStack switch using standard threaded fastener machine screws and bolts.

Table A-4 Recommended Torque Values by Screw Size

Screw Size		Torque in Pounds			Bit Size
English	Metric	-%5	Nominal	+%5	
N/A	N/A	1.42	1.5	1.57	0
2 – 56	1.5	2.85	3.0	3.15	0
4 – 40	2.5	4.75	5.0	5.25	0/1
6 – 32	3.5	8.55	9.0	9.45	1
8 – 32	4.5	17.10	18.0	18.90	2
10 – 32	5	30.40	32.0	33.60	2
1/4 – 20	6.5	63.65	67.0	70.35	3

Regulatory Compliance

The A2H123-24 meets the safety and electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) requirements listed in [Table A-5](#):

Table A-5 Compliance Standards

Regulatory Compliance	Standards
Safety	UL 60950, CSA C22.2 No. 60950, 73/23/EEC, EN 60950, IEC 60950, EN 60825, 21 CFR 1040.10
Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)	47 CFR Parts 2 and 15, CSA C108.8, 89/336/EEC, EN 55022, EN 61000-3-2, EN 61000-3-3, EN 55024, AS/NZS CISPR 22, VCCI V-3